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April 3, 2008

The Honorable David Obey, Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-218, The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Jerry Lewis, Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-218, The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Obey and Ranking Member Lewis:

I am requesting funding in the FY 2010 Commerce, Justice, Science Appropriations bill, Department of Justice, COPS Technology account for the King County Superior Court Criminal Tracking System. The entity to receive funding for this project is King County, Washington; King County Courthouse, 516 Third Ave Room 1200, Seattle, Washington 98104. It is my understanding that the funding would be used for a pilot project to develop a single information system that would provide comprehensive data sharing among criminal justice agencies and the courts. This would include the Superior, District, and Municipal courts in King County, state and local law enforcement, state and local detention and probation services, the King County Prosecutor and State Attorney General, as well as the Department of Social and Health Services. I certify that this project does not have a direct and foreseeable effect on the pecuniary interests of my spouse or me.

I hereby certify that this request will be made publicly available on my official congressional website as required by Chairman Obey's new Committee policy that only posted requests will be considered.

Consistent with the Republican Leadership's policy on earmarks, I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge this request: (1) is not directed to an entity or program that will be named after a sitting Member of Congress; (2) is not intended to be used by an entity to secure funds for other entities unless the use of funding is consistent with the specified purpose of the earmark; and (3) meets or exceeds all statutory requirements for matching funds where applicable. I further certify that should this request be included in the bill, I will place a statement in the Congressional Record describing how the funds will be spent and justifying the use of federal taxpayer funds.

Sincerely,

DAVE REICHERT  
Member of Congress

**OFFICE OF CONGRESSMAN DAVE REICHERT (WA-08)**

**PROJECT REQUEST CERTIFICATION**

By submitting this request for federal funding, I certify that:

- This project directly benefits the residents of Washington's Eighth Congressional District and merits federal funding assistance.
- None of the funds requested will be used for a new building, program, or project named after a sitting Member of Congress.
- None of the funds requested will be used to secure funds for other entities unless the use of funding is consistent with the specified purpose of the project request.
- For requests where the receiving entity is not a unit of federal, state, or local government, or where the entity receiving the funding will not be providing support to a federal, state, or local government, or will not be providing research, the organization will provide matching funds, including in-kind contributions of 5% or more above the statutory requirement.
- For requests from non-federal, state, or local government entities or other public institutions, the organization will submit an End User Letter(s) of Support from a public official representing the direct beneficiaries of the project. This will be inserted into the Congressional Record and disclosed on the Member's Congressional Website.
- Under separate cover, I agree to provide a comprehensive plan outlining the sources of funding for the duration of the project; the percent and source of required matching funds, anticipated sources of the funding for the duration of the project, and a detailed budget for how federal funding assistance will be used to support the project.
- In the interest of transparency, any information submitted with this project request may be disclosed for public review, including but not limited to the Committee or Member's Congressional Website and the Congressional Record.
- Should the project receive federal funding, I agree to disclose whether I hired a lobby firm; if so, the name of the lobby firm; and how much was paid to advocate for this project.

**PROJECT NAME:** King County Superior Court Criminal Tracking System

**NAME OF PERSON CERTIFYING:** Paul Sherfey

**TITLE OF PERSON CERTIFYING:** Chief Administrative Officer, King County Superior Court

**LEGAL NAME OF ENTITY MAKING REQUEST:** King County Superior Court

**LEGAL ADDRESS OF ENTITY MAKING REQUEST:** 516 Third Ave., Seattle, WA 98104

**SIGNATURE:** Paul L. Sherfey **DATE:** March 27, 2009



## OFFICE OF CONGRESSMAN DAVE REICHERT (WA-08)

### CONGRESSIONAL SITE VISIT CERTIFICATION

*In the interests of accountability and transparency, we require that either the Congressman or a member of the Congressman's professional staff visit each project site requesting federal funding. This will enable our office to more thoroughly assess the merits of each project and ensure that limited taxpayer funds are invested wisely.*

*Upon completion of the congressional site visit, please complete this form and have a representative from the organization (not a representative from a lobbying firm) sign it. The Congressional Staff Member visiting the site will be responsible for collecting the form at the time of the visit.*

I hereby certify that on March 31, 2009 Congressman Dave Reichert/a professional staff member from Congressman Dave Reichert's office visited our organization/project for the purposes of reviewing our request for federal funding.

PROJECT NAME: King County Superior Court Criminal Tracking System

DATE OF CONGRESSIONAL VISIT: 3-31-2009

NAME OF PERSON CERTIFYING: Maura Brueger

TITLE OF PERSON CERTIFYING: Senior Advisor for Federal Relations

LEGAL NAME OF ENTITY MAKING REQUEST: King County, Washington

LEGAL ADDRESS OF ENTITY MAKING REQUEST: King County Courthouse  
516 Third Ave, Rm 1200 Seattle, WA 98104

SIGNATURE: [Signature]

DATE: 3-31-09

MEMBER/CONGRESSIONAL STAFF MEMBER: Lindsay Manson

SIGNATURE: [Signature]

DATE: 3-31-09

Superior Court of the State of Washington  
for the County of King

Bruce W. Hilyer  
Presiding Judge

King County Courthouse  
Seattle, Washington 98104

March 27, 2009

Congressman Dave Reichert  
1730 Longworth Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Reichert,

King County's criminal justice system recently benefitted from a comprehensive review by the nationally recognized consulting firm Justice Management Institute. The review was requested by the Superior Court, the King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office and Office of Public Defense, to determine if there are better ways we can collectively bring resolution to the large volume of felony case filings in King County. A key recommendation from that study was the critical need for a technological solution for criminal caseflow. Currently, there is no information system that provides comprehensive data regarding the individuals moving through the criminal justice system. As a result, critical decisions are made based upon fragments of information that do not provide a complete and accurate picture.

King County Superior Court is proposing a pilot project to develop a single information system that would enable comprehensive data sharing among criminal justice agencies and the court. This project will promote public safety in King County by facilitating criminal justice decision-making at all levels and by helping to hold individuals accountable in criminal matters.

Development of the system will be staff intensive, necessitating the hiring of business analysts, computer application developers, hardware specialists, and those with expertise in maintaining the system. These jobs all would be located in King County, providing valuable employment opportunities for local residents in these challenging economic times.

I strongly support this proposal and respectfully request your assistance in helping to secure appropriate funding. Please feel free to contact me if you have questions or comments as you consider this request. I can be reached at (206) 296-9101.

Sincerely,



Bruce W. Hilyer  
Presiding Judge  
King County Superior Court

**King County Superior Court – COPS Technology Grant  
Finance Plan**

The court expects to purchase and configure a solution which would provide broad access to comprehensive data concerning the hundreds of thousands of adult felony and misdemeanor matters handled in King County each year. The requested COPS Technology Grant would fully fund these components. The court expects that the federal funds would be allocated as follows:

- Equipment/Technology (Hardware and Software Costs): \$1,000,000. This would cover costs associated with the acquisition of a commercial off-the-shelf (COTS) solution, including associated hardware and software.
- Contracts/Consultants (Planning and Implementation Costs): \$1,000,000. This would cover costs associated with the requirements analysis, customization, configuration, testing, implementation, and training phases of the project.

A portion of the work will be conducted by a contracted vendor. The vendor will supply the COTS solution; facilitate the requirements analysis; and customize, configure, test, and implement the solution. If possible, the vendor also will participate in training system users, which would include judicial officers and staff at the Superior Court in King County; state and local law enforcement; state and local detention and probation services; the King County Prosecutor and Washington State Attorney General; and staff at the Washington Department of Social and Health Services.

If an acceptable COTS solution cannot be identified, the budget should allow for development of a custom application. This would be carried out primarily by contractors working in conjunction with in-house technology teams. The court expects to identify the best option through the Request for Proposal (RFP) process, in which vendors will offer information on potential solutions. Once a preferred vendor is identified, a more detailed project budget can be developed.

# FY2010 APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST FORM

## REPRESENTATIVE DAVE REICHERT (WA-08)

(ONE project/program per form)

### GENERAL INFORMATION

**Organization making request:** King County **Federal Tax Status: (i.e. 501(c)3) exempt**

**Address:** King County Courthouse, 516 Third Ave Rm 1200

**City:** Seattle **State:** WA **ZIP Code:** 98104

**Point of Contact(POC):** Chuck Williams

**Phone:** (206) 296-0367 **Email:** [chuck.williams@kingcounty.gov](mailto:chuck.williams@kingcounty.gov)

**Address:** King County Courthouse, 516 Third Ave Rm 1200

**City:** Seattle **State:** WA **ZIP Code:** 98104

**DC Representation (if any):** Bill Hanka, The Ferguson Group

**Phone:** (202) 261-6003 **Email:** [bhanka@tfgnet.com](mailto:bhanka@tfgnet.com)

**Address:** 1130 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 300

**City:** Washington **State:** DC **ZIP Code:** 22203

### PROJECT/PROGRAM INFORMATION

**PROJECT TITLE:** King County Superior Court Criminal Tracking System

**Prioritized:** 13 of 13 total requests for your organization

**Appropriations Bill: (Please check)**

☐ Agriculture
 ☒ Commerce, Justice, Science
 ☐ Defense  
☐ Energy and Water
 ☐ Interior and Environment  
☐ State, Foreign Operations
 ☐ Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education  
☐ Military Construction, Veterans' Administration
 ☐ Homeland Security  
☐ Transportation, Housing and Urban Development
 ☐ Financial Services  
☐ Legislative Branch

**Agency/Bureau** (i.e. FBI; Corps of Engineers; US Navy; ARS, etc.): Department of Justice

**Account** (i.e. Buildings and Facilities, Aviation Safety; Capital Improvements, etc):  
COPS Technology

**Amount requested for FY2010:** \$ 2 million

**Total cost of project:** \$2 million

**Minimum amount of FY2010 funding needed to begin or sustain this project:** \$ 2 million

**Is this program authorized?** ☐ YES ☐ NO **If YES, bill number:** **Year:**

**Is this program funded in the President's FY10 budget request?** ☐ YES ☒ NO **If YES, amount:** \$

**Anticipated total future requests:** \$ Over the next years

**Local, state and/or private funding sources:**

**Total Amount:** \$ Over the next years

**Other sources of Federal funding:**

**Total Amount:** \$ Over the next years

**Federal Agency Sponsor or Program Manager:**

**Office:**

**Phone Number:**

**Other agency advocate (if any):**

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## REPRESENTATIVE DAVE REICHERT (WA-08)

(ONE project/program per form)

Office:

Phone Number:

Are you requesting this through any other office(s):

If yes, which office(s):

### PROJECT FUNDING HISTORY (FROM CURRENT YEAR BACKWARD)

FISCAL YEAR	PRESIDENT'S REQUEST	ORGANIZATION'S REQUEST	FUNDING AMOUNT	APPROPRIATIONS BILL	ACCOUNT, SUBACCOUNT

### Executive Summary/Project Description (MAXIMUM 200 Words):

- Please include a discussion of the project's merits, relevance, eligibility, and why it is a valuable use of taxpayer funds.
- Please limit your description to 200 words.
- You may attach additional information, however, please understand that the description provided below will be used for any and all public disclosure requirements.

King County's criminal justice system handles hundreds of thousands of felony and misdemeanor cases each year. Currently, there is no information system that provides comprehensive data regarding the individuals moving through criminal justice system. As a result, critical decisions are made based upon fragments of information that do not provide the complete picture.

King County Superior Court is proposing a pilot project to develop a single information system that would provide comprehensive data sharing among criminal justice agencies and the courts. This would include the Superior, District, and Municipal courts in King County, state and local law enforcement, state and local detention and probation services, the King County Prosecutor and State Attorney General, as well as the Department of Social and Health Services.

These organizations need to share data in a manner that allows judges, prosecutors, law enforcement and detention agencies to make informed decisions about and track the progress of criminals moving through the criminal justice system, while simultaneously protecting organization-specific information. Technology has advanced to the point that this is possible. This project would demonstrate the viability of such a system despite historical challenges.

### Justification of funding:

- How does this request fit within the identified bill and account (cite specific precedents and overall purpose of account)?
- How many jobs could this project create and how will it benefit Washington's 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District?

This pilot project will assure public safety and hold individuals accountable in criminal cases, by providing complete information on defendants as needed by all agencies involved in the criminal justice system including police, courts, attorneys and jails. Technology is the key to developing this program.

At this time, no system exists that can provide comprehensive information on cases and defendants. As a result, critical decisions are made based upon fragments of information that do not provide the complete picture. While much information exists in different agency systems, it cannot be shared between these various systems, making tracking and efficiency very difficult to achieve.

Development of the system will be staff intensive, necessitating the hiring of business analysts, computer application developers, hardware specialists and those with expertise in maintaining the system. These jobs would all be located in King County.

Specific language proposed for Congressman's request to the subcommittee (if any):

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**REPRESENTATIVE DAVE REICHERT (WA-08)**

(ONE project/program per form)

**Is there any other relevant information regarding this request that you would like to share?**

**CONTINUE FOR DEFENSE REQUEST ONLY:**

What is the name and number of the Program Officer for this request?

Have you contacted the Program Officer?

Appropriations Account: (Please check)

☐ RDT&E      ☐ Procurement      ☐ O&M      ☐ Counter Drugs      ☐ Medical  
☐ Reserve Equipment      ☐ National Guard Equipment      ☐ Other (DW, for example)

Service: (Please check)

☐ Army      ☐ Army Reserve      ☐ Navy      ☐ Navy Reserve      ☐ Marine Corps      ☐ Marine Corps Reserve  
☐ Air Force      ☐ Air Force Reserve      ☐ Intelligence      ☐ Army Guard      ☐ Air National Guard

Line Item Title:

Identification:

R-1/PE # \_\_\_\_\_ P-1/Line # \_\_\_\_\_ TIARA/JMIP (Intel Only) \_\_\_\_\_

Sub-Activity Group (required for Personnel and O&M):